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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicants have not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicants submit herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

U.S. Patents

2001/0000222

Miyazaki et al.

Foreign Patents

11-198467

Japan

2001-038986

Japan

2002-251673

Japan

Non-Patent Literature

Translation of Japanese Office Action in corresponding application JP 2004-563226.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is understood that US 2001/0000222AI is the U.S. counterpart of JP 11-198467. It is understood that US 2002/0113120A1 (already made of record in the present application by an earlier information disclosure statement) is the U.S. counterpart of JP 2002-251673.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 31118/DY0205.

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